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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We used to have AT&T in both our homes, one in the Bay Area and one in Nevada. We had been AT&T customers for decades. However the hammering cost increases, the obsessive calls to switch to U-verse (3 a day), and the poor service caused us to switch our Bay Area service to Sonic because in that location we had a choice. With the same lines, we are happy with the switch. In Nevada, we do not have that choice: we are subject to the monopolistic tyranny of just two providers who march in lock-step. If we could, if there were an option, we would switch out.

The proposed curtailing of access to unbundled network elements is just a way for big corporations such as AT&T to reduce the consumer to serfdom. We have noted how these companies treat a contract as a one-sided obligation, and are fed up. Basically, their plan is to bind us to them by leaving us without choice. Then they can increase prices at will. This is the new version of medieval serfdom.

Don't let it happen.

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